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Wooley Explains.

ted by being tainted with Abilishism. But my bretherin let it be remembered that success is the main object. Success is what Bascom wants that I believe in. I believe in the means to pay for the likker I consume, and to avoid the necessity of being continually re-elected to the office, which I believe in. I believe in the means to pay for the likker I consume, and to avoid the necessity of being continually re-elected to the office, which I believe in.

But methinks I hear one say, Hancock is a soldier, Seymour a anti-republican, and Chase a Abilishist! What is that? They may be what they like when they go into office—associates with us felices on sooner or later. Kin you teach pitch and not be defiled? Doolittle, Cowan, and Dixon wuz Abilishists. When they split from Abilishism—the mint they fell into our embraces—they became ex satisfactory Democrats I could wish. The road down is a easy one to travel. It's easier to slide than to climb, which is the reason why so many more are damned than saved. Dimorisy, like Bascom's new likker, holds a man when it gits him. Johnson wuz a good enuff Abilishist till he called onto us for help, and then he was lost. Let Chase stay with us a week and he'd forget all his old ideas, yoo bet. Shood yoo poke that silver pitcher at him the niggers give him at Cincinnati, for defendin a fugitive, and he'd swear like Peter he never saw it—only differ from Peter in that he'd stick to it. And there is no goin back for the principal ones. Their remorse kind of drives on deeper and deeper, till they finally are worse than ex tho they originally wuz us. Let us, my bretherin, never reject any help we kin git. Let it come in any shape and from any source, it'll finally assimilate to us and be us. Remember, Johnson, Cowan, Doolittle and Dixon swore when they started at Philadelphia, that they never coo into the ranks of the Dimorisy; in a year they wuz making speeches for us in Connecticut.

Ex I concluded my remarks, my circle all agreed that it was safe to take whatever we could get from the enemy, and we retired, I feel that whatever other localities mite do, the Corners wuz safe. Wat an outrage it is, though, that the Abilishists nominated such a man for Vice-President ez to make Grant perfectly safe from being removed ez Linken wuz. Ef he's elected he'll serve out his time sure.

PETROLEUM V. NABBY; P. M., (Which is Postmaster.

California Items.

RAILROAD was laid to Reno, Nevada, 45 miles east of the Sierra Nevada, on the 4th of May. This place has been selected as a permanent location for the Virginia City Junction, and depot buildings will be erected immediately.

They are building a hotel at Sitka, Alaska. The Indians there are hereafter to be furnished with a limited amount of arms and ammunition, and with spirits.

Highway robbers and murderers are very common in Mexico, and esteem a man's life of no value in comparison with money. Many persons are carried off to the mountains and held for ransom.

California is reported by the Surveyor General to have over 140,000 orange trees.

A tunnel two miles in length is to be cut through War Eagle Mountain, in Idaho, with the expectation of opening up scores of rich gold-bearing ledges. The sum of \$11,000 has already been subscribed to carry out the work.

A very rich strike was made May 8th, in the claim of the Cole Company, near Comstock Ledge, Nevada. The ore is black sulphuret, and is astonishingly rich in gold as well as silver. The first sample yielded \$1643 93 per ton. The deposit is very large.

The yield of the Crown Point mine, Nevada, for the month of April, was \$86,000, nearly \$150 per foot for every foot of ground in the claim.

During the first week in May, \$288,744 75 in bullion were shipped from the two principal cities of Nevada.

The sales of land in Santa Barbara, California, during the past few months have amounted to 1,300,000 acres, at from \$1 to \$2 per acre.

San Francisco counts \$25,000,000 as the value of her manufacturing products for the past year.

The total quantity of wheat grown in California last year amounted to 14,000,000 bushels. The estimate for the present year is 20,000,000 bushels.

The resources already secured for the proposed University of California, amount to \$710,000.

The bones of a mastodon, which must have been 14 feet high and over 20 feet long, have been found at Mount Whitney, California.

A man who slipped down the side of an ice mountain, after a toilsome ascent, lived to deprecate "going up like a stick and coming down like a rocket."

The Crown Point Gold and Silver Mining Company has increased its capital stock to \$3,000,000; 12,000 shares at \$250 each.

Quite a number of miners have gone from California to Alaska, in expectation of finding gold.

From the report of the Russian officers to their government concerning the seal fisheries of Alaska, it appears that from 1843 to 1863, the annual product was 27,821 pelts.

STEEL RAILS.—The Camden and Amboy railroad company has ordered a thousand tons of steel rails from Sheffield, in England, which are now in process of delivery. More than a mile of these rails was laid near Bordentown, on this road, about a year ago. These show no signs of wear as yet.

The New York Tribune, under a call of "Veterans to the Front!" claims that the processions of "Wide-Awakes" in the last Presidential campaigns did much service for the party, and suggests that the citizens who were once soldiers put on their faded army blue, and fall into ranks to "illustrate" the present campaign, and perform political marches—"shoulder the crutch and show how fields were won" by winning other fields. We do not know how this proposition will strike the citizens who were in the army, as soldiers, but we imagine that it will not be a very "taking" one, for various reasons. The army blue is not particularly a party color, and ought not to be appropriated as such; and the esprit du corps which animated the army is not by any means synonymous with party spirit in any sense, and never can be. We suppose the distinction between the two cannot well be understood by those who have felt only one, and cannot be satisfactorily explained; but we believe it exists all the same. Let parties organize, and parade, and hang their banners on the outer wall if they will; but let the soldiers of the old army keep the sacred memories of their campaigns for the Union, in which they gave up all things for country, unviolated by any unnecessary action which will draw a line between them and any of their comrades, loyal alike to country with them. Let politics have its way and its demonstrations, but do not let party spirit divide those who are bound together by the more catholic bonds of army memories and army life.

Mr. Wooley, who has been and still is, so far as we know, a "prisoner of hope" in the hands of the Investigating Committee, and who has for some time remained contumacious, although imprisoned in luxury, has at length made an explanation of his mysterious communications with various parties during the impeachment trial. Those who have read the antiquarian researches of the immortal Pickwick will remember the singular stone which he found one day, ornamented with mysterious characters. In the hands of Mr. Butler, Wooley has been a discovery of equal importance. The solution of the stone riddle and the Wooley riddle amount to about the same thing, which is, nothing. Mr. Wooley is a lawyer, and was doing business for clients. He was confined at Butler's request, because he refused to answer certain questions about the disposition of certain money. He has petitioned the House to be liberated, and makes confession as follows:

He states that Sheridan, Shook, his client, had appeared before the Committee on Impeachment on Saturday last, and testified that he had retained the petitioner to prosecute certain measures before Congress, and obtain such action, without detriment to the public good, as would be conducive to his interest, and that with the understanding that he should make to the petitioner such reasonable and proper advances as might be in his power and as the petitioner might desire essential to the conduct of such business, and that the telegrams had reference to said business, and being advised by counsel that Shook, having by such testimony waived the privilege of confidential communication between a client and his attorney, he can now without violating any rule of law or professional honor, answer the questions propounded by the committee.

He submits in answer thereto to the first question, that he did send the despatch of the 8th of May requesting Shook to place to his credit the sum of \$10,000, to be used in such lawful manner as the petitioner might deem proper in obtaining a modification of that provision of the revenue law, whereby the amount paid the informer upon seizures is graduated up to \$5000, but is not allowed to exceed that amount, and that the modification contemplated was an amendment providing that in all cases, and to the entire extent of the value, a moiety should be paid to the informer and a moiety to the Government, and the language in said despatch, "My business is accomplished," referred to the progress of the business, and the fact that your petitioner had ascertained the sentiment of the committee, and that the committee was then ready to report the bill, though not in question it had reference to an undertaking to obtain a reduction of the tax on whiskey. And to the reference to the use of fictitious names, &c., such precautions are absolutely necessary to insure secrecy, but that said Shook did not act upon the telegrams, or make deposits or furnish the money called for, and that the said telegrams were not in reference to impeachment.

Wooley then proceeds to set forth that he has been unjustly treated by the committee, and reviews the report of the committee in his case, and explains the alleged discrepancies in his evidence at different examinations, that the large amount which he testified had been handed Sheridan Shook had been so disposed of, but he subsequently ascertained that it had been taken by Ransom Van Valkenburg of New York and was still in his possession. The petitioner was very much surprised and declined to receive any part of the money, and requested Van Valkenburg to retain it until after his examination. The petitioner files herewith, as part of his petition, the affidavits of said Ransom Van Valkenburg, Robert Strong, Cornelius Wendell and Charles H. Snelling one of the proprietors of the Metropolitan Hotel, Washington, in which the circumstances concerning the disposal of said money, are fully set forth and explained, which said affidavits are marked "exhibits A, B, C, and D," and prayed that they be taken as part of the petition. He then proceeded to set forth at length his grievances at the hands of the committee, and the extraordinary course pursued in his case, and the necessity of his making the foregoing statement to vindicate his character and reputation against the attempt to make it appear that he is a criminal.

The petitioner concludes with a prayer that he may be brought to the bar of the House and be interrogated in regard to the matter as in the judgment of the House shall be deemed just and proper in the premises. The petition is signed by Wooley and by R. F. Brent and R. T. Merrick as counsel.

CONGRESS.—Congress is making but little progress on the tax bill, and it is quite possible that the bill will be re-committed to the Committee of Ways and Means. Many of the members who have had their families in the city through the winter, have taken advantage of the lull in business, and escorted them home, before the advent of hot weather, and have returned, or soon will, to take their part in completing the business of the session.

Mr. Bowen, the Republican candidate for Mayor of Washington, has been duly elected, and will retain the office, which he now holds, we believe. One or two colored men have seats in the city council. The Washington meerschaum is "coloring" finely.

The Paris Steele says that the Chassepot rifles having been manufactured in sufficient number for the French armaments, the war department has issued orders for the immediate manufacture of rifled cannon.

The Rev. J. H. Hopkins, Jr., son of Bishop Hopkins, in a letter to the Philadelphia Ledger, thus denies the report that he died in the communion of the Roman Catholic Church: "The opinion that the Pope is anti-Christ is not one of the points made in our standard against Rome; and it may be affirmed or denied by churchmen among us, without affecting their relations in the least, toward that church or our own. My father's conviction that our church is the purest branch of the Holy Catholic Church now known on earth remained unshaken to his life's end; and he had no more idea of joining the Roman communion than he had of turning Mahomedan."

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THE RESULT OF THE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL.—Mr. Boutwell of Massachusetts, in a speech at Lowell last week, said:

The great question of impeachment has been tried and settled by the proper tribunal, and while that judgment may not have met with his views, as a good citizen he bowed to the decision, nor should he bring any charges here that improper means were used to influence the judgment. The President had a fair trial, and was acquitted on technical questions. The lesson he ought to learn from it is that he should enforce and obey the laws.

Senator Trumbull, of Illinois, has written a letter in which he says:

I think I am right in coming to the conclusion that no crime or misdemeanor justifying impeachment was made out in the case; but if mistaken in this, I must, of course, take the consequences of my error of judgment, but to charge it as a betrayal of the party is cruelly unjust. What is the administration of justice worth when decisions are to be made, not according to law and justice, but at the dictation of a political party, or even of the whole people? In newly settled countries mobs and par-administration of justice into their own hands, but who ever heard of mobs even requiring courts to execute their decrees? The stories about corruption or improper motives influencing any Republican to vote against conviction are, of course, false. All the pressure, and it was very great—more than you know of—was on the other side, as an investigation, if one is ever had, will show. But for outside pressure I think no such vote as thirty-five could have been obtained for conviction on the eleventh article.

THE PARIS FASHIONS.—The Paris correspondent of the Journal of Commerce writes that short skirts are condemned, except for street wear, the train being reinstated in favor for home and evening costume, and adds:

The spring and summer toilets are really quite charming this year. The mania for gold ornaments and tinsel, glass beads and false glitter, is on the wane. Bad taste, like all vulgar things, soon falls, and we notice with pleasure a reaction in favor of great simplicity in dress. Dresses and paletots are fashioned of the same material, and the trimmings, for those who love a toilet recherche, are composed either of puffings or flounces, likewise of the same tissue as the dress wrapping. Sometimes the skirt of light brown, or lilac, or a shot silk, is covered with a peplum of black silk. The skirt is decorated at the bottom with a narrow flounce, and the peplum trimmed all around the edges and sleeves with narrow black silk flounce. A wide ribbon-belt, with fringed ends of the same color of the garment, is always worn. The chapeau, although not increased in size, has gained in becomingness. The addition of the mantilla, in Spanish or Chantilly lace adds grace to the coiffure, conceals the ravages of time when the face has lost its first bloom, and adds a charm to the beauty of eighteen summers.

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